



PEACE OFFICER STANDARDS AND TRAINING COMMISSION

INFORMAL HEARING

April 20, 2017

1:00 P.M.

AGENDA



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APPEARING:

Blount Co. SO – James Eugene Patty – PSID# 8819-5113
Gallatin PD – Derrick Walker – PSID# 3928-2946
Metro Nashville PD – Lawrence Lacy, III – PSID# 4138-2278
Metro Nashville PD – David R. Terrazas – PSID# 1226-1748
Metro Nashville PD – James L. Tucker – PSID# 9623-2859
Montgomery Co. SO – Tammy Renee Axley – PSID# 9787-1160
Murfreesboro PD – Turner Long – PSID# 1948-5377
Rutherford Co. SO – Robert Franklin Arnold – PSID# 4894-1935
Rutherford Co. SO – Jeffrey Scott Appleton – PSID# 5784-3689

Blount Co Sheriff's Office – James Eugene Patty – Mr. Patty was arrested in Ashville North Carolina and charged with soliciting a minor on a computer on 10/06/2016. Mr. Patty was terminated from the department for violations of departmental policies Conformation to Laws and Unbecoming Conduct.
Commissioners have copies.

Motion to Approve/Disapprove by: _____ Second _____

Recommendation to the Full Commission _____

Remarks: _____

Gallatin Police Department – Derrick Walker – Mr. Walker resigned in lieu of termination after admitting to the consumption of illegal narcotics. Commissioners have copies.

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Remarks: _____

Metro Nashville PD – Lawrence Lacy, III – Mr. Lacy took an early service pension prior to the completion of an internal investigation. He violated numerous departmental policies including falsifying time sheets for MNPd while on duty at a secondary job. Commissioners have copies.

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Metro Nashville PD – David R. Terrazas – Mr. Terrazas had a complaint filed against him for using illegal steroids. A reasonable suspicion drug test was administered, and it came back positive for an illegal steroid. It was also determined that he used MNPd electronic records to query his wife and girlfriend without a business purpose. He was terminated for cause. Commissioners have copies.

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Metro Nashville PD – James L. Tucker – Mr. Tucker was subpoenaed to appear in court on 07/05/2016. He falsified his timecard and knowingly made a materially false statement to his supervisors in order to alter their inquiry into his performance of duty at court that day. Mr. Tucker used poor judgment in deciding to leave the court without conferring with the Assistant District Attorney. He was terminated for cause. Commissioners have copies.

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Montgomery Co. SO – Tammy Renee Axley – Ms. Axley was terminated from the department for disciplinary reasons on December 07, 2016. Ms. Axley was a School Resource Officer and based on an internal investigation it was determined by a preponderance of the evidence that:

1. She was given knowledge involving the victimization of a minor student by an adult;
2. She agree to keep an eye on said student, thereby creating a special relationship;
3. She engaged in a sexual relationship with the former student just after she turned 18; and
4. She provided dishonest answers in an internal investigation.

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Murfreesboro PD – Turner Long – Mr. Long gave false information and misleading statements during an internal investigation. The internal investigation surrounded a motorcycle that was pursued on May 31, 2016 by an officer of the MPD who terminated the pursuit due to safety concerns. The registration was obtained and was registered to Mr. Long. Upon completion of an internal investigation Mr. Long was terminated for cause.

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Remarks: _____

Rutherford Co Sheriff's Office – Robert Franklin Arnold – Mr. Arnold pled guilty to federal charges of Money-and-Property Wire Fraud, Honest Services Fraud and Extortion under color of law. Mr. Arnold subsequently resigned from the department.

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Rutherford Co Sheriff's Office – Jeffrey Scott Appleton – Mr. Appleton was terminated for cause, for violating the electronic mail use policy and harassment. It was determined that he used his work phone, work email and school email (he was a SRO) to continually contact a female to the point she feels harassed. Commissioners have copies.

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